MERITORIOUS COMMISSIONING PROGRAM – DEGREE COMPLETION (MCP-DCP) VS. COLLEGE DEGREE PROGRAM(CDP)

COLLEGE DEGREE PROGAM (CDP)

- The CDP is an annual board process (April) designed to permit qualified officers without degrees to complete undergraduate degree requirements on a full-time basis on campus.
- Maximum time can attend school is 18 months.
- Incur a 3 year service obligation for 1year of education over 1 year incurs a 4 year obligation.

CDP ELIGIBILITY

- CDP
  - Regular officers, extended duty reservists
  - Officers commissioned via the meritorious commissioning program (MCP)
  - WO thru LtCol
  - Only 1% of restricted officers can be selected per MOS
- There are no restricted MOS's for these boards
- Preference will be given to officers in over MOS'S careful consideration will be given to officers in short MOS'S

MCP-DEGREE COMPLETION PROGRAM (MCP-DCP)

- Governed by MarAdmin 363-02 / 278-02 / Title X
- No promotion to Capt in USMCR w/o baccalaureate
- Designed for MCP 1stLts, not augmented
- Timing: Upon completion of 2 yrs at 1st Duty Sta.
- Continuous board process
- Maximum time can attend school is 18 months.
- Incur a 3 year service obligation for 1year of education over 1 year incurs a 4 year obligation.

FUNDING / DISCIPLINES

- Both MCP-DCP & CDP
  - Officer receives all pay and allowances. The officer pays all tuition and associated costs for their education while participating in the program.

- Both MCP-DCP & CDP
  - No restricted curriculums